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AMENDMENT WITH REMARKS FOR FILING WITH RCE

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in response to the final Office Action dated August 24, 2007. This amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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